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1.(Currently Amended) A method for processing an information sequence with an iterative decoder, comprising:

dividing the information sequence into a current window and at least one additional window;

selecting the current window of the information sequence; and computing at least one metric value for a current recursion of the current window based on metric values from another window in a previous iteration, wherein the another window is from the at least one additional window [of the information sequence, wherein the additional window is from a past iteration].

- 2.(Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising: initializing a training recursion for the current window based on the metric values [from the additional window].
- 3.(Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising: processing the metric values [from the additional window of the information sequence].
 - 4.(Original) The method of claim 3, further comprising: storing the processed metric values.
- 5.(Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, further comprising: determining a value step number of the metric values [from the additional window]; and

determining an initialization step number for initializing the training recursion for the current window.

6.(Currently Amended) The method of claim 3, wherein the processing step comprises:

assigning the metric values [from [the additional window of the information sequence].

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7.(Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, further comprising: determining an index of the metric values [of the additional window]; and initializing the training recursion of the current winddw based on the index of the metric values [of the additional window].

8.(Currently Amended) A method for processing an information sequence, comprising

selecting a current window of the information sequence during a current iteration;

selecting an additional window of the information sequence, wherein the additional window is for a future iteration;

recursively computing a metric value for the current window from another window in a previous iteration; and

processing the metric value for the current window for use in the additional window.

- 9.(Original) The method of claim 8, further comprising: storing the processed metric value.
- 10. (Cancelled).
- 11. (Cancelled).
- 12. (Cancelled).
- 13. (Cancelled).
- 14. (Cancelled).
- 15. (Cancelled).
- 16. (Cancelled).
- 17. (Cancelled).
- 18. (Cancelled).

19.(Currently Amended) An iterative decoding system, comprising: means for dividing an information sequence into a current window and at least one additional window;

means for selecting the current window of the information sequence; and means for computing at least one metric value for a current recursion of the current window based on metric values from another window in a previous iteration wherein the another window is from the at least one additional window [the additional window of the information sequence, wherein the additional window is from a past iteration].

- 20.(Currently Amended) The system of claim 19, further comprising: means for initializing a training recursion for the current window based on the <u>at least one metric value[s]</u>.
- 21.(Currently Amended) The system of claim 19, further comprising: means for processing the at least one metric value[s from the additional window of the information sequence].
 - 22.(Original) The system of claim 21, further comprising: means for storing the processed metric values.
- 23.(Currently Amended) The system of claim 20, further comprising: means for determining a value step number of the at least one metric value[s from the additional window]; and

means for determining an initialization step number for initializing the training recursion for the current window.

24.(Currently Amended) The system of claim 21, further comprising: means for assigning the at least one metric value[s from the additional window of the information sequence].

25.(Currently Amended) The system of claim 20, further comprising: means for determining an index of the at least one metric value[s of the additional window]; and

means for initializing the training recursion of the current window based on the index of the metric values [of the additional window].

26.(Currently Amended) A turbo decoding system for processing an information sequence, comprising:

means for selecting a current window of the information sequence during a current iteration;

means for selecting [an additional] <u>another</u> window of the information sequence, wherein the [additional] <u>another</u> window is for a future iteration;

means for recursively computing a metric value for the current window;

means for processing the metric value for the current window for use in the [additional] another window.

- 27.(Currently Amended) The system of claim 26, further comprising: means for storing the processed metric value.
- 28. (Currently Amended) A turbo decoding system comprising:
- at least one interleaver;
- at least one de-interleaver;
- at least one decoder, wherein the at least one decoder comprises;

means for dividing an information sequence into a current window and at least one additional window;

means for selecting the current window of the information sequence; and

means for computing at least one metric value for a current recursion of the current window based on metric values from another window in a

<u>window</u> [the additional window of the information sequence, wherein the additional window is from a past iteration].